

The North Canterbury region offers much to the angler. The Rakaia, Waimakariri, Hurunui and Waiau Uwha rivers offer sea-run salmon fishing in the summer months. The best time to plan a trip is during February when river flows tend to be stable after the period of snow melt in the Southern Alps. Most salmon are caught on heavy spinning tackle upriver or on specialised long-distance surf casting tackle in the surf next to the river mouth. Sea-run salmon are one of the most highly sought-after sports fish in the country. A season bag limit applies for sea run salmon, see the notes below or Fish & Game's website for more details.

In addition to the salmon fishery, North Canterbury also offers great fishing for other species. Over 30 high country lakes offer brown and rainbow trout with a few also offering landlocked Chinook salmon. The upper reaches of the braided rivers also offer high quality brown and rainbow trout wilderness fishing experience with some very big fish in places. Early season the lower reaches of the same rivers provide opportunities for sea-run trout fishing as well.

For more information on sports fishing in North Canterbury, consult the fishing locations and access pages of the Fish & Game website, there are downloadable pdf guides for the Rakaia River, Waimakariri River, Hurunui and Waiau Uwha Rivers, the High-Country Lakes, Junior Fisheries and Close to Christchurch.

To protect a high quality wilderness fishing experience North Canterbury has four Designated Waters fisheries requiring anglers to be holders of a full season licence and a Designated Waters licence. For more information or to obtain a Designated Waters licence go to www.fishandgame.org.nz

Boat Fishing: To clarify for anglers, the use of boats and/or flotation devices in the North Canterbury waterbodies is set by the Regional or District councils not by Fish & Game. It is important to note that those regulations can change without any notice. Please follow the direction of the relevant council.

Pollution Hotline: To report incidences of pollution or other damage to our waterways, please ring Environment Canterbury's 24-hour Pollution Hotline on 0800-76 55 88 and tell them that you want to be advised of the outcome of their investigation.

National Regulations

The Sports Fishing Regulations

These regulations are set to ensure that:

- Fish populations are maintained and that the number of fish caught does not threaten the sustainability of the fishery.
- The quality of the fishing experience is maintained.
- Spawning areas are protected.
- Angling opportunities are not unnecessarily restricted.
- Incompatible methods of fishing are kept separate.
- Anglers use sporting methods.

The main angling rules and catch limits are shown in this booklet, but there are other rules in the Conservation Act, Freshwater Fisheries Regulations and other legislation which affect sports fishing. For example, a current fishing licence is required to fish for the species listed in the First Schedule, and it must be carried with anglers at all times when fishing. The licence is to be produced upon demand by a Fish & Game Ranger.

If you are in any doubt about sports fishing regulations, please contact your local Fish & Game office.

These regulations are approved by the Minister for Hunting and Fishing on the advice of the 12 regional Fish & Game Councils. The Fish & Game licence allows an angler to fish New Zealand wide (except Taupō).

Anglers Notice

Fish & Game Regions 2025

Conservation Act 1987

Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1983

Pursuant to section 26R(3) of the Conservation Act 1987, the Minister for Hunting and Fishing approves the following Anglers Notice, subject to the First and Second Schedules of this notice, for the following Fish & Game Regions:

Northland	Taranaki	North Canterbury
Auckland/Waikato	Wellington	Central South Island
Eastern	Nelson/Marlborough	Otago
Hawke's Bay	West Coast	Southland

Notice

This notice revokes all previous Anglers Notices and shall come into force on 1 October 2025.

1. Application of this Notice

- 1.1** This Anglers Notice sets out the conditions under which a current sports fish licence holder or a person named on a family whole-season licence may fish for sports fish in the area to which the notice relates, being conditions relating to:

- (a) The size and limit bag for any species of sports fish;
 - (b) Any open or closed season in any specified waters in the area, and the sports fish in respect of which they are open or closed;
 - (c) Any requirements, restrictions, or prohibitions on fishing tackle, methods, or the use of any gear, equipment, or device;
 - (d) The hours of fishing; and
 - (e) The handling, treatment, or disposal of any sports fish.
- 1.2** This Anglers Notice applies to sports fish which include species of Trout, Salmon, Perch and Tench (and Rudd in Auckland/Waikato Region only).
- 1.3** Perch and Tench (and Rudd in Auckland/Waikato Region only) are also classed as coarse fish in this notice.
- 1.4** Within coarse fishing waters (as defined in this notice), special provisions enable the use of coarse fishing methods that would otherwise be prohibited.
- 1.5** Outside of coarse fishing waters an angler may fish for coarse fish wherever sports fishing is permitted, subject to the general provisions in this notice that apply for that region.

First Schedule:

Fishing conditions generally common to all Fish & Game Regions.

Second Schedule:

Regional specific fishing conditions, bag limits, closed and open waters, and the like.

First Schedule

1. Interpretation

Words and expressions in this notice, which are defined in the Conservation Act 1987, the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1983, or the Sports Fish Licences, Fees, and Forms Notice 2025, shall be so defined.

“assembled rod” means a rod that is assembled from butt to tip, together with a line and lure attached.

“all methods” means any artificial fly, or spinner or bait.

“artificial fly” means any lure of feather, fur, wool or other material of any kind customarily used in the making of artificial flies.

“bait” means:

- Natural insect.
- Natural spider.
- Natural worm or worms.
- Natural crustacean.
- Natural fish, excluding fish ova, or any portion of a fish, or shellfish (mollusc), except where stated otherwise in the Second Schedule of this notice.
- Uncoloured bread dough.
- Any scented lure, soft bait and other synthetic imitations with chemical attractant properties, except where stated otherwise in the Second Schedule of this notice.

"*bait assembly*" means either a hook rigged with a number of baits or a single bait rigged with a number of hooks.

"*bait fishing*" means to fish for sports fish with bait.

"*boat*" means any manned flotation device.

"*closed*" means no fishing is permitted.

"*coarse fish*" means Perch, Tench (all New Zealand) and Rudd (Auckland/Waikato Fish & Game Region only).

"*coarse fishing waters*" means named locations where anglers can fish for coarse fish with:

- (a) A rod which has either a fixed or running line.
- (b) No restriction on the type or number of baits in use.
- (c) No restriction on the use of preparations to attract fish.

"*controlled fishery*" means a controlled fishery described in the Sports Fish Licences, Fees, and Forms Notice 2025 and for which a controlled-period licence is required when fishing during a controlled period.

"*daily bag limit*" means the total number of sports fish that may be taken or killed by any one person during any one day.

"*designated waters*" means a designated waters fishery described in the Sports Fish Licences, Fees, and Forms Notice 2025 and for which a designated waters licence is required when fishing.

"*fishing*" and "*fish*" in this notice means:

the catching, taking or harvesting of sports fish; and includes any:

- (a) Other activity that may reasonably be expected to result in the catching, taking or harvesting of sports fish.
- (b) Attempt to catch, take or harvest sports fish.
- (c) Operation in support of, or in preparation for, any activity described in this definition.

"*freshwater*" means

- (a) All waters of rivers, streams, lakes, ponds, lagoons, wetlands, impoundments, canals, channels, watercourses, or other bodies of water whether naturally occurring or artificially made.
- (b) All waters of estuaries or coastal lagoons.
- (c) All other fresh or estuarine waters where freshwater fish indigenous to or introduced into New Zealand are found.
- (d) All waters in the mouth of every river or stream, and the mouth of every river and stream shall be deemed to include every outlet thereof and the seashore between those outlets and the waters of the sea or lying within a distance of 500 metres from any place where at low tide the waters of a river or stream meet the waters of the sea.

"*fly fishing*" means to fish for sports fish with fly rod and fly reel and fly line and artificial fly.

"*foul hook*" means to hook a sports fish other than from within the mouth.

"*junior fishery*" means a named location where only a child or junior angler may fish.

"*landmark*" means a black, yellow and white ringed post or buoy.

"*length*" is the measurement from the tip of the snout to the fork of the tail.

"legal lure" means any authorised artificial fly or spinner or bait.

"sea-run Salmon waters" means sea-run Salmon waters described in the Sports Fish Licences, Fees, and Forms Notice 2025 in the North Canterbury and Central South Island Fish & Game regions and for which a sea-run Salmon licence is required when fishing for Salmon and to which the Sea-run Salmon Season Bag Limit Notes apply.

"season bag limit" means the total number of sports fish that may be taken or killed by any one person between the 1 October and 30 September.

"season bag limit card" means a card upon which anglers taking or killing sports fish in Fish & Game regions that have a season bag limit must legibly record the date, name of water, sex (as can best be determined by the angler), weight in kilograms and length in centimetres of the fish, and whether it was fin clipped.

"spin fishing" means to fish for sports fish with a spinner.

"spinner" means any artificial lure other than an artificial fly.

"sports fish" means those freshwater fish described in the First Schedule of the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1983, namely:

- Brown Trout.
- Rainbow Trout.
- American Brook Trout or Char.
- Lake Trout or Char.
- Atlantic Salmon.
- Quinnet or Chinook Salmon.
- Sockeye Salmon.
- Perch.
- Tench.
- Rudd (Auckland/Waikato Fish & Game Region only).
- Any hybrid of the above species.

"zero bag limit" means fishing is permitted but no fish may be kept.

2. Authorised Tackle

2.1 No angler shall fish for Trout or Salmon except by using a rod and running line and authorised method (as defined in clause 8 of this First Schedule).

2.2 Nets and gaffs:

2.2.1 When playing a sports fish, a landing net may be used to secure or land that fish.

2.2.2 For keeping coarse fish alive, a keep net may be used in the water from which the fish was caught.

2.2.3 No angler shall use a gaff to secure or land a sports fish except where provided for in the Second Schedule of this notice.

2.3 No angler when fishing for sports fish shall:

2.3.1 Use more than 1 assembled rod and running line.

2.3.2 Use more than 3 artificial flies or spinners.

2.3.3 Use more than 1 bait assembly.

2.3.4 Be more than 15m from the rod being used, except where stated otherwise in the Second Schedule of this notice.

2.3.5 Use in waters other than those where bait fishing is permitted any lure treated with any chemical preparation other than that used solely to control the buoyancy of an artificial fly, except where stated otherwise in the Second Schedule of this notice.

2.3.6 Use any preparation not attached to a lure to attract fish except when fishing for coarse fish in coarse fishing waters.

2.4 No person shall fish for sports fish by using felt-soled waders or footwear incorporating or having attached a sole of felted, matted or woven fibrous material when sports fishing.

3. Foul Hooking of Fish

3.1 No angler shall attempt to foul hook any sports fish.

3.2 Any angler who foul hooks a sports fish shall return it immediately to the water with as little injury as possible.

4. Fish Length

4.1 Every angler who catches a sports fish which does not exceed the specified minimum length, or exceeds the specified maximum length, shall immediately return it with as little injury as possible into the water from which it was taken.

5. Open Season

5.1 No angler shall fish for any sports fish except during an open season.

6. Daily Bag Limit

6.1 No angler shall continue to fish for a particular species of sports fish on any day in which the angler has already killed the limit bag for that species except where provided for in the Second Schedule.

6.2 It shall be permissible to make up the difference between a lesser limit bag prescribed in one place and a higher limit bag prescribed in another if the extra fish are taken in the area with the higher bag limit.

7. Season Bag Limit

7.1 No angler shall continue to fish for sports fish in any season in which the angler has already killed the season bag limit for that species, except where provided for in the Second Schedule.

8. Authorised Methods

8.1 Authorised methods (subject to any regional restrictions specified in the Second Schedule) are:

- Artificial fly (**F**).
- Bait (**B**).
- Spinner (**S**).

Second Schedule

North Canterbury Fish & Game Region

The North Canterbury region is defined here: *New Zealand Gazette*, 24 May 1990, No. 83, at page 1861, as amended by the *New Zealand Gazette*, 3 September 1992, No. 141, at page 2958.

1. Definitions

For interpretation of terms, refer to the First Schedule of this notice.

2. Additional Requirements

- Note 1**
- 1.1** Except for Perch for which there is no daily limit (see note 7), no angler shall on any one day take, kill or be in possession of more than 4 sports fish.
 - 1.2** No angler shall be in possession of a Trout or Salmon less than 300mm anywhere in the region.
 - 1.3** No angler shall fish for Salmon in any river from 1 May to 30 September.
 - 1.4** Scented artificial lures may be used in all waters, other than fly fishing only waters, when actively retrieved so as to imitate a moving bait fish.
 - 1.5** Any angler who lands a sports fish that will not be kept shall immediately return it with as little injury as possible into the water from which it was taken.
 - 1.6** No person may take Salmon from any river between the hours of 11pm to 4am in December and January, and between 10pm and 5am for any other month.
 - 1.7** No angler shall fish for sports fish within a 100-metre arc of the outfall of any licensed fish farm, with the exception of the Tentburn Outfall, where fishing for Trout and Salmon is permitted, but no fishing is allowed on the culvert.

Boat Fishing:

- Note 2** **2.1** Fishing from boats is permitted.
- Note 3** **3.1** Fishing from boats which are not simultaneously being propelled by a motor, is permitted, including float tubes, kayaks and pack rafts.
- Note 4** **4.1** The use of motorised craft is prohibited.
- Note 5** **5.1** The daily limit bag for Lake Coleridge shall be 4 sports fish.
- Note 6** **6.1** No angler other than a Child or Junior angler shall fish in the Christchurch Groynes Fishing Lakes.

Coarse Fishing

- Note 7**
- 7.1** Fishing for coarse fish is permitted only in listed Coarse Fishing Waters which are: the Avon River downstream of Barbadoes Street, Lake Forsyth, Halswell River and Canal downstream of Neills Road, Kaiapoi Lakes, Gravel and Sands ponds, Okana River downstream of State Highway 75, and Lake Rotokohatu. See First Schedule for permitted methods.
 - 7.2** The daily limit bag for Tench is 1 fish and no angler shall be in possession of a Tench that exceeds 150mm.
 - 7.3** There is no daily limit or size restriction for Perch.
- Note 8** **8.1** No angler other than a Child or Junior angler shall bait fish for Trout.
- Note 9** **9.1** No angler shall be in possession of a sports fish which exceeds a maximum length of 400mm from that water
- Note 10** **10.1** No angler shall be in possession of a Chinook Salmon taken from Lake Sumner or Loch Katrine.
- Note 11** **11.1** **Designated Waters:** No angler may fish in a designated water unless they are the holder of an appropriate designated waters licence or are named on such a licence.

Note 12 12.1 Controlled Fishery. No angler may fish in a controlled fishery during a controlled period unless they are the holder of an appropriate controlled-period licence or are named on such a licence.

Note 13 Sea-run Salmon Season Bag Limit:

- 13.1** No angler may fish for Salmon in a sea-run Salmon water unless they are the holder of a sea-run Salmon licence or are named on such a licence.
- 13.2** All holders of a sea-run Salmon licence are eligible to receive a Season Bag Limit Card. Family whole-season anglers that have a sea-run Salmon licence are eligible for one Season Bag Limit Card per family licence.
- 13.3** No angler shall fish for, take, kill or be in possession of a Salmon from sea-run Salmon waters within the North Canterbury Fish & Game Region without holding a Season Bag Limit Card.
- 13.4** No angler or family fishing under a family whole-season licence shall over the length of the season take, kill or be in possession of more than one Salmon from sea-run Salmon waters in both the North Canterbury and Central South Island Fish & Game regions combined.
- 13.5** Immediately upon taking or killing a Salmon from sea-run Salmon waters, the angler must complete an entry in their Season Bag Limit Card for that fish.
- 13.6** All anglers that fished for Salmon from sea-run Salmon waters in either the North Canterbury or Central South Island Fish & Game regions must return their Season Bag Limit Card data to either the North Canterbury or Central South Island Fish & Game Council by 7 May 2026, regardless of how many such Salmon were taken or killed.
- 13.7** All holders of a season bag card must produce it to a Fish & Game Ranger on demand.

3. Open Season, Permitted Methods, Daily Bag Limits - Region Defaults

Water	Section of water	Open Season	Authorised Fishing Methods	Daily bag limit by species		Refer Clause 2 For Additional Requirements
				Trout	Salmon	
All freshwaters not mentioned in clause 3.1 for this region		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	1 sports fish		Note 1

3.1 Open Season, Permitted Methods, Daily Bag Limits - Fishery Specific

Water	Section of water	Open Season	Authorised Fishing Methods	Daily bag limit by species		Refer Clause 2 For Additional Requirements
				Trout	Salmon	
Ada River	Part of Waiau Uwha Designated Water	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9, 11
Ashley River	upstream of Ashley Gorge Road Bridge including tributaries	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
	downstream of Ashley Gorge Road	Trout: All year	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
		Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS		Refer Note 13	Notes 1, 2, 13
Avoca River		1st Saturday Nov - 31 May	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9

Avon River and tributaries	upstream of the Armagh Street Bridge at Hagley Park	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2	Refer Note 13	Notes 1, 2, 13
	between the Armagh Street Bridge at Hagley Park and the Barbadoes Street Bridge	closed				
	downstream of the Barbadoes Street Bridge	Trout: All year	FSB	2	Refer Note 13	Notes 1, 2, 7
		Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS			Notes 1, 2, 13
Boyle River	Part of Lewis Pass Designated Water	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9, 11
Broken River		1st Saturday Nov - 31 May	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
Cam River	from Kaiapoi River confluence to Smith Street Bridge	Trout: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2	Refer Note 13	Notes 1, 2
		Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS			Notes 1, 2, 13
Cass Hill Stream (Bullock Creek)		1 Oct - 31 Mar	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
Christchurch Groyne Fishing Lakes	four ponds at the western end of the Groyne reserve signposted as designated fishing lakes	All year	FSB	1 sports fish		Notes 1, 3, 6
Clearwater Resort Lakes	except for Lake 3, Lake 4 and Lake 5	closed				
	Lake 3, Lake 4 and Lake 5	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 3
Coleridge Tailrace		1 Oct - 31 Mar	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
Cora Lynn Stream		1 Oct - 31 Mar	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
Cust River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
Double Hill Stream & Double Hill Flat Stream		1 Oct - 28 Feb	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
Doubtful River	Part of Lewis Pass Designated Water	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9, 11
Esk River and all tributaries		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
Glenariffe Stream		1 Oct - 28 Feb	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
Goat Hill Stream		1 Oct - 28 Feb	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
Halswell River and Canal	upstream of Neills Road bridge	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2,
	downstream of Neills Road bridge	All year	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2, 7
Harper River	including diversion and tributaries	1st Saturday Nov - 31 May	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
Harts Creek		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
Hawkins River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	1		Notes 1, 2
	upstream of Colombo Street bridge	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2

	downstream of Colombo Street bridge	Trout: All year	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
Heathcote River		Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS		Refer Note 13	Notes 1, 2, 13
Henry River	Part of Waiau Uwha Designated Water	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 11
Highbank Power Station	Tail race	Closed				
Hope River and all its tributaries	Part of Lewis Pass Designated Water Hope River and its tributaries upstream of State Highway 7 Bridge	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9, 11
	downstream of State Highway 7 Bridge	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
Hororata River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
Hurunui River	Designated Water and Controlled Fishery Hurunui River and its tributaries upstream of grid reference NZTopo50/BU22 3088 7229 (500m upstream of Lake Sumner, marked with sign)	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9, 11, 12
	upstream of Lake Sumner	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
	between Lake Sumner and South Branch confluence	All year	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
	Designated Water and Controlled Fishery South Branch upstream of North Esk River confluence	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9, 11, 12
	South Branch downstream of North Esk River confluence	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
Hurunui River tributaries	above the South Branch confluence	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2
Hurunui River	below the South Branch confluence	Trout: All year	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
		Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS		Refer Note 13	Notes 1, 2, 13
Hydra Waters	including Titan Stream	1 Oct - 28 Feb	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
Irwell River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	1		Notes 1, 2
Kaiapoi River		Trout: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
Kaiapoi River	downstream of the confluence of the Cust Main Drain	Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS		Refer Note 13	Notes 1, 2, 13
Kaituna River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	1		Notes 1, 2
Kowhai River and tributaries		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
L II River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
Lake Blackwater		10 Nov - 30 Apr	FS	2		Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Coleridge		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Sep	FSB	4 sports fish		Notes 1, 2, 5

Lake Courtenay		All year	FSB	2 sports fish	Notes 1, 3
Lake Ellesmere		All year	FSB	2	Notes 1, 2
Lake Evelyn		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Forsyth		All year	FSB	2	Notes 1, 2, 7
Lake Georgina		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	FS	1	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Grasmere		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Guyon		All year	FS	2	Note 1
Lake Hawdon		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Henrietta		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Ida & Little Lake Ida		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	F	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lakes Kaiapoi		All year	FSB	2	Notes 1, 3, 7
Loch Katrine		All year	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 10
Lake Letitia		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Lilian		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Lyndon		All year	FSB	2	Notes 1, 2, 8
Lake Mason		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Marymere		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	F	1	Notes 1, 3, 4, 9
Lake Minchin		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	FS	2	Note 1
Lake Monck (Catherine)		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Pearson		All year	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Rotokohatu		1 October - 31 October, 1 April - 30 September	FSB	2 sports fish	Notes 1, 3, 7
Lake Rubicon		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Sarah		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	F	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Selfe		All year	FS	2	Notes 1, 3, 4
Lake Sheppard		1st Saturday Nov - 30 Apr	F	2	Notes 1, 2, 4
Lake Stream		1 Oct - 31 Mar	FS	2	Note 1
Lake Sumner		All year	FS	2	Notes 1, 2, 10
Lake Taylor		All year	FS	2	Notes 1, 2
Leader River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2	Notes 1, 2
Lee River		Trout: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2	Notes 1, 2
		Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS		Refer Note 13 Notes 1, 2, 13

Lewis River	Part of Lewis Pass Designated Water	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9, 11
Monopolies Pond		All year	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2,
Mandamus River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	1		Notes 1, 2
Manuka Point Stream		1 Oct - 28 Feb	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
Nina River	Part of Lewis Pass Designated Water	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9, 11
Okana River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	1		Notes 1, 2, 7
Otukaikino Creek, South Branch of Waimakariri River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
Okuku River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	1		Notes 1, 2
Okuti River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
Pahau River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	1		Notes 1, 2
Porter River		1st Saturday Nov - 31 May	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
Poulter River and all tributaries		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
Rakaia River	upstream of the line between the white posts at 171° 30.4822"E 43° 22.9378"S and 171° 31.5535"E 43° 22.1640"S near the Coleridge tailrace	1 Oct - 31 Mar	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
	downstream of the line between the white posts at 171° 30.4822"E 43° 22.9378"S and 171° 31.5535"E 43° 22.1640"S near the Coleridge tailrace	Trout: All year	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
	downstream of the line between the white posts at 171° 30.4822"E 43° 22.9378"S and 171° 31.5535"E 43° 22.1640"S near the Coleridge tailrace	Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS		Refer Note 13	Notes 1, 2, 13
Ryton River		1st Saturday Nov - 31 May	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
Saltwater Creek		Trout: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
		Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS		Refer Note 13	Notes 1, 2, 13
Selwyn River	upstream of State Highway 77 Bridge (at Glentunnel)	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2
	downstream of State Highway 77 Bridge	All year	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
Slovens Stream		1st Saturday Nov - 31 May	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
St Annes Lagoon		closed				
Styx River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
Takiritawai (Wairewa) River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
Tentburn Outfall		Trout: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2

		Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS		Refer Note 13	Notes 1, 2, 13
Waiau Uwha River and all tributaries (except Lake Guyon)	Designated Water Waiau Uwha River and its tributaries upstream of Hope River confluence downstream of Hope River confluence	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9, 11
		Trout: All year	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
		Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS		Refer Note 12	Notes 1, 2, 12
Waikari River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	1		Notes 1, 2
Waimakariri River	Upstream of the Staircase Gully confluence	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
Waimakariri River tributaries	upstream of the Staircase Gully confluence, except for Cass Hill Stream, Cora Lynn Stream, Esk River, Poulter River, Winding Creek, Broken River and Porter River	1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9
Waimakariri River	downstream of Staircase Gully confluence	Trout: All year	FSB	2		Notes 1, 2
		Salmon: 1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS		Refer Note 12	Notes 1, 2, 12
Waipara River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	1		Notes 1, 2
Waitohi River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FSB	1		Notes 1, 2
Wilberforce Diversion		1st Saturday Nov - 31 May	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
Wilberforce River		1 Oct - 30 Apr	FS	2		Notes 1, 2
Winding Creek		10 Nov - 31 Mar	FS	1		Notes 1, 2, 9